



Docket No.: 1031.1017

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:

Atsushi TAKAHASHI

Application No.: 10/009,832

Group Art Unit: 2841

Confirmation No.: 1197

Filed: December 17, 2001

Examiner: Randy W. Gibson

For: CONVEYOR APPARATUS AND COMMODITY INSPECTING EQUIPMENT UTILIZING
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents
PO Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed May 11, 2004, and having a period for response set to expire on July 11, 2004.

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted.



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S&H Form: (10/03)

**REPLY/AMENDMENT
FEE TRANSMITTAL**

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| REPLY/AMENDMENT FEE TRANSMITTAL | Attorney Docket No. | 1031.1017 | |
| | Application Number | 10/009,832 | |
| | Filing Date | December 17, 2001 | |
| | First Named Inventor | Atsushi TAKAHASHI | |
| | Group Art Unit | 2841 | |
| AMOUNT ENCLOSED | 0.00 | Examiner Name | Randy W. Gibson |

FEE CALCULATION (fees effective 10/01/03)

| CLAIMS AS AMENDED | Claims Remaining After Amendment | Highest Number Previously Paid For | Number Extra | Rate | Calculations |
|---|----------------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|
| TOTAL CLAIMS | 4 | - 26 = | 0 | X \$ 0.00 = | \$ 0.00 |
| INDEPENDENT CLAIMS | 1 | - 8 = | 0 | X \$ 0.00 = | 0.00 |
| Since an Official Action set an original due date of July 11, 2004, petition is hereby made for an extension to cover the date this reply is filed for which the requisite fee is enclosed (1 month (\$110); 2 months (\$420); 3 months (\$950); 4 months (\$1,480); 5 months (\$2,010)); | | | | | 0.00 |
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